

JOINT GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RULES FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2007 AND 2008

A quorum of the Joint Government Oversight Committee is declared to be a majority of the members of the House Committee and a majority of the members of the Senate Committee.

Action by the Joint Committee in the adoption, suspension, alteration, or elimination of rules and in the making of recommendations will require, on separate roll call vote, a majority vote of the members of the House Committee and a majority vote of the Senate Committee. However, other action shall require only a simple majority of each chamber present.

The Chairperson of the Senate Committee and the Chairperson of the House Committee will serve as Co-Chairpersons of the Joint Government Oversight Committee and each chamber will preside on alternate weeks or upon arrangements agreed to between the chambers.

The secretary of the Senate Chairperson and the secretary of the House Chairperson will serve cooperatively as co-secretaries of the joint subcommittee and keep minutes and separate records of the joint committee action for each chamber.

Agendas for Committee meetings will be scheduled by the Committee Chairpersons. The agenda will be coordinated with the Legislative Services Agency, Fiscal Services Division.

The recommendations approved by the Joint Committee will be prepared in bill form as ordered by the Legislative Services Agency, Fiscal Services Division.

Any person possessing a wireless device, such as a telephone or pager, during Committee meetings must make certain the wireless device is not audible to any other person in the Committee meeting. All telephone conversations that are not related to Committee business shall be conducted outside the committee room.

Whenever Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure does not conflict with rules specifically adopted by the Committee, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the deliberations of the Committee.